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**INVENTION:** 

BIPOLAR TRANSISTOR AND METHOD OF THE SAME

# **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 S I R:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on September 14, 1999, Application and the above-identified application and respond as follows:

# In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A semiconductor device, comprising a first vertical type high speed NPN bipolar transistor and a second vertical type high voltage NPN bipolar transistor having a [whose] breakdown voltage which is higher than a breakdown voltage [that] of said first vertical type high speed NPN bipolar transistor, the device including an epitaxial layer formed on a silicon substrate, wherein said first vertical type high speed NPN bipolar transistor has a first embedded diffusion layer formed in an upper part of said silicon substrate, said first embedded diffusion layer [vertical type bipolar transistor] having a [the] same conductive type as said epitaxial layer and having an impurity concentration higher than that of said epitaxial layer, said second vertical high voltage NPN [type] bipolar transistor having [has] a second embedded diffusion layer formed in an upper part of said silicon substrate, said second embedded diffusion layer [vertical type bipolar transistor] having a [the] same conductive type as said epitaxial layer and having an impurity concentration less than the impurity concentration of said first embedded diffusion layer, wherein said second embedded diffusion layer is a terminal of said second vertical type high voltage NPN bipolar transistor.

Please add new claims 19 and 20 as follows:

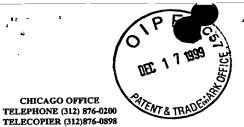
- --19. A semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein said epitaxial layer is an effective collector layer.
- 20. A semiconductor device according to claim 1, wherein said second embedded diffusion layer is an effective collector layer.

#### REMARKS

In paragraphs 1 through 4 of the Final Office Action dated September 14, 1999, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 3, 4, 6 and 17 of the present application under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention. Details of the (correctable) errors described therein will be not reiterated here.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 08-2290. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed. When phoning re this application, please call 312/876-0200.

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